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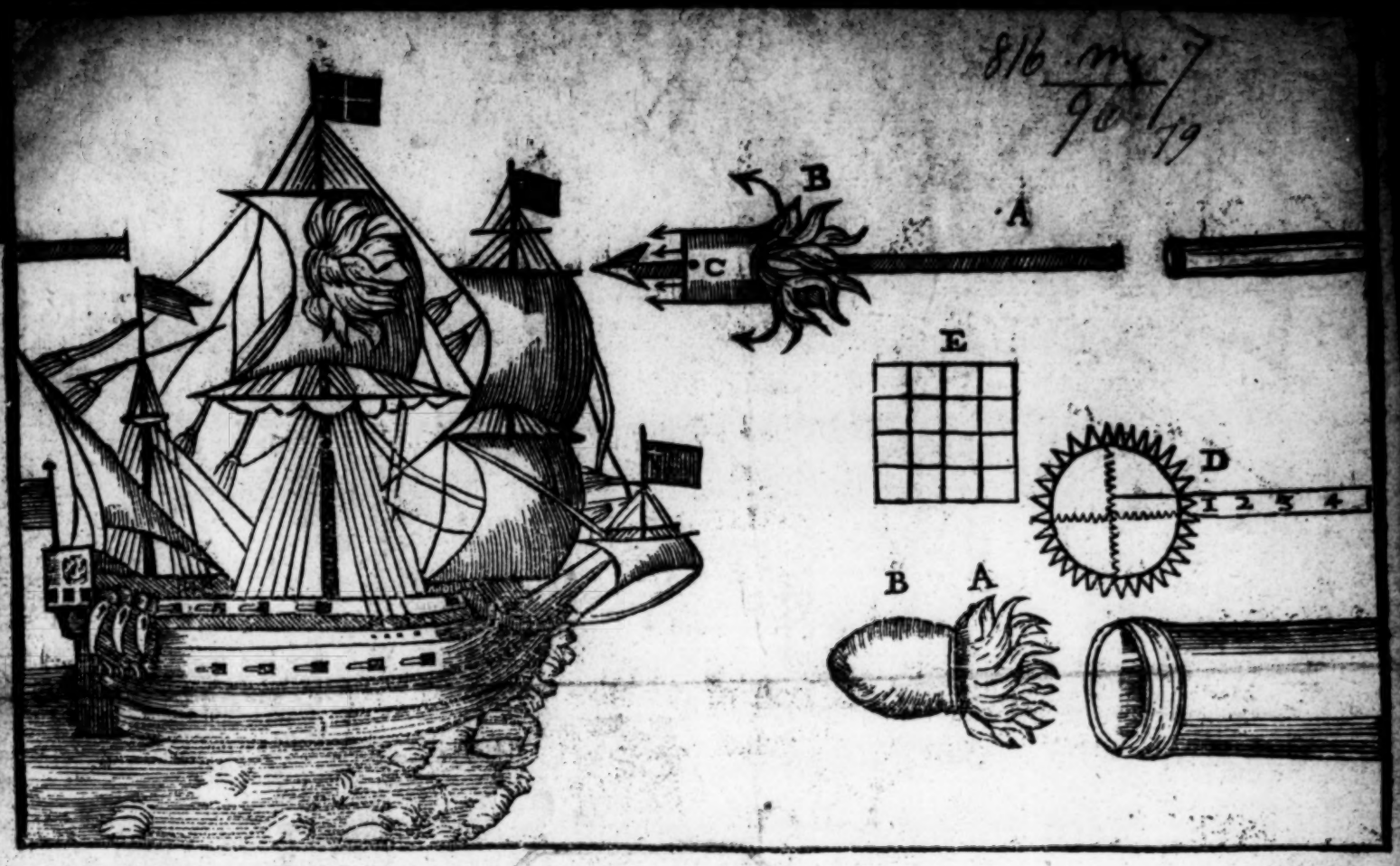

TO THE

Honourable the Commons of *England* Aſſembled in Parliament.

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The Humble Propoſals of JOHN LEGG, *Engineer, relating to his New Invention of* Fire-Shot *and* Fire-Arrows, *which being Shot out of a Piece of Ordinance, Paterrero, or Muſket, infallibly ſets the Enemies Ships Sides, Sails, and Rigging*, &c. *in a Flame.*

It was in the Reign of Queen *Elizabeth* that Fire-Ships were firſt Invented, and had a proſperous Effect on the *Spaniſh* Armado, which Stratagem is ſo well known, that our Enemies have found out ways to keep them off, and avoid their being Burned by them.

Now theſe *Fire-Shot*, and *Fire-Arrows*, in their place, will do as great, if not greater, Miſchief to the Enemies Ships, Sails, and Rigging, when at Sea; and where we cannot make uſe of *Fire-Ships*; and will but a ſmall charge to the Nation.

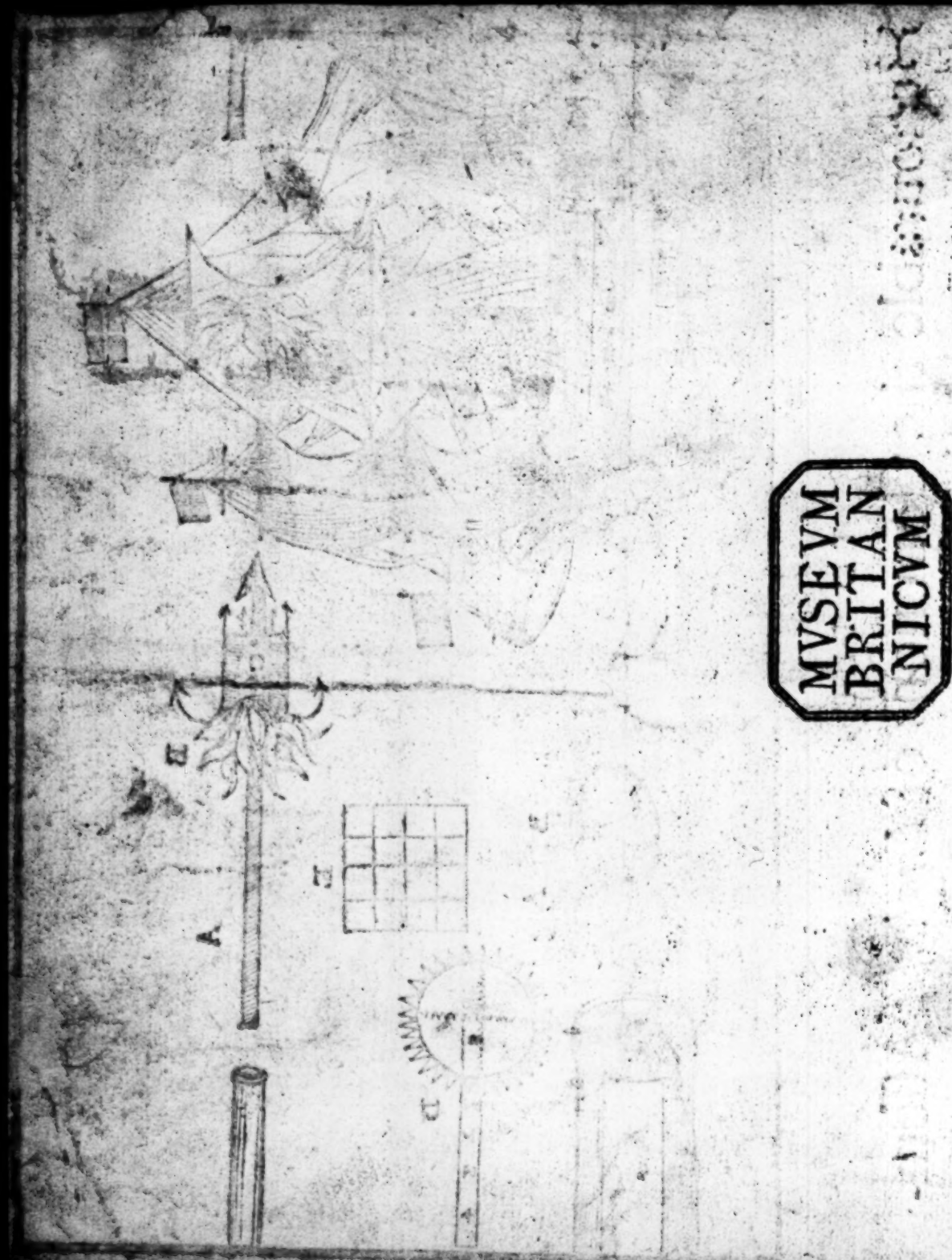
And by this Invention, every *Ship* in the *Navy* may be able to defend themſelves, and take or deſtroy the Enemies Ships that ſhall engage them, although more in number, by putting them in a Conſternation, ſeeing their Ships Sides, Sails and Rigging in a Flame.

If this Honourable Houſe ſhall think fit to encourage ſo Uſeful and Neceſſary an Invention as *Fire-Shot* and *Fire-Arrows*.

It is humbly propoſed that Her Majeſty be addreſſed, that Her *Royal Navy* may be ſupplyed and furniſhed with the ſame, by the Inventor, who will make and deliver In, what Quantity ſhall be requi-ted, before the Fleet can put to Sea.

Be pleaſed to Note upon the Fire-Arrows, *That the Pin at* C *gives way, and the Shaft flyes through the Sail, and leaves the Head* B *flaming in the Sail. The Flaſh at the Muzle of the Gun gives it Fire.*

Note *alſo, That the* Fire-Shot *conſiſt of two parts, the ſolid part* B *flies through the Ships ſide, and the Cap* A *remains Burning in the Hole.*



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